

PATENT APPLICATION

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In re application of

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For: POSITIVE PHOTORESIST COMPOSITION FOR FAR ULTRAVIOLET

EXPOSURE

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action dated April 23, 2002. A Petition for a one-month extension of time is being concurrently filed, making a response due on or before August 23, 2002. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please enter the following amended claims:

2 (Amended). The positive photoresist composition as claimed in claim 1, wherein the resin (B) further contains a repeating unit having an alkali-soluble group protected by at least one group containing an alicyclic hydrocarbon structure represented by the following formula (pI), (pII), (pIII), (pIV), (pV) or (pVI):

